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Date: 10/2/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5027)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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CIRM
Bufile 100-442529
Savannah file 100-5131

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), SAVANNAH, GEORGIA
9/29/64 - 10/2/64

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the activities of the captioned convention on 10/1/64.

111th INTC Group, Savannah, Ga., advised on 10/2/64.

(4) Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
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(2- 100-442529)
2- Atlanta (100-5710) (Encs. 2) (RM)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Savannah, Georgia
October 2, 1964

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, SEPTEMBER 29, 1964 - OCTOBER 2, 1964

October 1, 1964

[redacted] Savannah, Georgia, advised on October 2, 1964, that on October 1, 1964, the Eighth Annual Convention of the SCLC continued at Savannah, Georgia.

The SCLC activities during the day commenced with panel discussions and workshops at the St. Paul CME Church, 1601 Barnard Street, Savannah, Georgia. These discussions concerned "new directions in SCLC programing", which included talks of possible demonstrations, if necessary, at courthouses, city halls, and those places where the center of government is located (b)(6)

Harry Golden, Editor, "Carolina Israelite", Charlotte, North Carolina, addressed the group, pointing out the importance and the influence of voting and political action.

According to [redacted] Savannah, Georgia, a barbecue was held by the SCLC at Sportsmen's Park, Chatham County, and that there were no incidents, violence, demonstrations or arrests.

[redacted] advised that the city-wide mass meeting scheduled to be held at Grayson Stadium at 8:00 PM

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NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,
SEPTEMBER 29, 1964 - OCTOBER 2, 1964

was relocated from Grayson Stadium to the St. Paul CME Church, Savannah, Georgia, due to rain, and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President of the SCLC, spoke at this meeting.

The "Savannah Morning News", a daily newspaper published in Savannah, Georgia, in its edition of October 2, 1964, carried an article which related that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., speaking at the St. Paul CME Church during the evening of October 1, 1964, contended that the election of Senator Barry Goldwater to the presidency would ultimately move the nation "down a dangerous, dark Fascistic path". He went on to say that it is "too risky to put a man in office... who talks so lightly and irresponsibly about war". King claimed that Goldwater does not understand the plight of poverty-stricken Americans. "Goldwaterism", Dr. King said, "passes by every day looking at people but failing to see them". The article related that Dr. King spoke to an overflow audience at St. Paul CME Church.

King noted that "approximately 40,000 (Negro) votes were added in the state of Georgia. Perhaps the two most outstanding efforts in the South were held in Atlanta and Savannah". He noted that "the Georgia registration of Negro voters now stands near the 300,000 mark, and this has removed Georgia from the Dixiecrat camp".

Dr. King, according to the article, repeated again and again his theme that the key to the Civil Rights Movement is non-violence, noting a warning that this past year the first serious threat to non-violence was the tempers and frustrations of northern ghettos.

He defined SCLC's Operation Breadbasket as a "program which calls for support of those businesses that will give a fair share of the jobs and economic withdrawal from those businesses that have discriminatory policies". King stressed that "when it is appropriate we will encourage sit-ins, pray-ins, boycotts, picket lines, marches, civil disobedience and any form of protest and demonstrations that are non-violently conceived and executed. At the same time we recognize that the right of assembly and protest is a relative right subject

to regulations to protect the rights of others", and he added that "no citizen has the right to engage in rioting, civil disorder, or hooliganism in a democracy, no matter how grave his grievances".

(b)(7)(b)

[redacted]

DATE: October 1, 1964

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Via AIRTEL REGISTEREI MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23140)

SUBJECT: CIRM
BUFILE 100-3-116
NEW YORK FILE 100-151548
ATLANTA FILE 100-6520A

COMINFIL OF SCLC
IS - C
BUFILE 100-438794
NEW YORK FILE 100-149194
ATLANTA FILE 100-5718

Reference Atlanta airtel to the Bureau dated August 21, 1964, and Baltimore airtels to the Bureau dated August 27, 1964, and September 17, 1964.

(b)(7)(D)

On September 30, 1964, [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, advised that a thorough search of alpnabetical listings and room designations for the period August 20-25, 1964, failed to disclose the identity of caller, who placed long-distance phone call to MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in Atlanta, from Room Number 712, Telephone Number 685-3500, a trunk line of the Holiday Inn (Downtown) Baltimore.

(5) - Bureau (3 - 100-~~3-116~~)(CIRM)(REGISTERED MAIL)
(1 - 100-438794)(SCLC)
(1 - 100-106670)(MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2 - New York (1 - 100-151548)(CIRM)(REGISTERED MAIL)
(1 - 100-149194)(SCLC)
2 - Richmond (REGISTERED MAIL) (ENCLOSURE 1)
3 - Atlanta (1 - 100-6520A)(CIRM)(REGISTERED MAIL)
(1 - 100-5718)(SCLC)
(1 - 100-5586)(MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2 - Baltimore

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[redacted] advised (b)(6)
that all Folios for month of August containing registration data and telephone toll charges have been forwarded to the American (b)(7)(C)
Motor Inns, 22 E. Campbell Street, Roanoke, Virginia, [redacted] She suggested that it is possible to identify the person registered in Room 712 from data on Folio.

Richmond requested to check folios for Holiday Inn (Downtown)Baltimore, at Roanoke headquarters of American Motor Inns. A copy of referenced Baltimore airtel dated August 27, 1964, is forwarded to Richmond for information.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 10/7/64

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (100-10590)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Savannah letter to Bureau, 9/21/64.

Portland contacts with racial liaison sources and informants during September and October, 1964, disclosed no one from Portland area known to have attended SCL Conference. Informed sources report no Oregon membership known to this "Eastern based" group.

2-Bureau (RM)
2-Savannah
(1-100-5027)(COMINFIL of SCLC) (RM)
(1-100-5077)(CIRM) (RM)
1-Portland

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Date: 9/29/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (100-14305) - P -

SUBJECT: COMINFIL
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RM

Re Cincinnati airtel to the Bureau dated 9/4/64, and Atlanta radiograms to Cincinnati dated 9/24 and 25/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for Atlanta.

LHM contains information regarding the personal appearance of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., at Cincinnati, Ohio, on 9/27/64.

Established sources are presently being contacted and pertinent information will be furnished by LHM.

(3) - Bureau (Enc. 8)
2 - Atlanta (100-6670-A) (Enc. 2)
3 - Cincinnati
(1 - 100-14305)
(1 - 100-13760)
(1 - 157-210)

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 100-14305

Cincinnati, Ohio
September 29, 1964

RE: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RACIAL MATTERS

[redacted] (b)(6)

[redacted] advised that Shuttlesworth is the Minister of the Revelation Baptist Church, Bauer and John Streets, Cincinnati, Ohio. Shuttlesworth advised that King's itinerary is as follows:

Arrival at Boone County Airport approximately 5:00 p.m., Saturday, September 26, 1964.

Travel by motorcade to the Terrace Hilton Hotel, 15 West Sixth Street.

Closed press conference, invited members of the press only.

King to spend the night, September 26, 1964, in hotel.

Sunday, September 27, 1964, King will address members of the Revelation Baptist Church, 10:30 a.m.

Dinner at the residence of Robert Shropshire, 141 Huntington Place, Cincinnati.

Speech at the Music Hall, 1243 Elm Street, 3:00 p.m.

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Dr. King will leave Cincinnati by plane at approximately 6:00 p.m., September 27, 1964.

On September 26, 1964, the "Cincinnati Herald," a newspaper of general circulation in the Negro community, Cincinnati, Ohio, contained an article announcing the expected arrival and speech of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on September 27, 1964.

On September 28, 1964, the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a newspaper of general circulation in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, contained an article relating to the appearance and speech of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Sunday afternoon, September 27, 1964.

The article further stated that King spoke to a capacity crowd in the Music Hall which was predominantly Negro. Dr. King touched on a variety of topics which included - solving problems in the North, such as substandard housing, defacto public school segregation, segregation in employment and poverty.

The article further stated:

"He stated that he is following a policy of not endorsing either presidential candidate, but that 'Mr. Goldwater has presented me with a dilemma.' Dr. King told the audience that the American Negro must be neither master nor servant to either political party, but he left no doubt that he expected Negroes to support the candidacy of President Johnson." (b)(7)(D)

On September 28, 1964, [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio, advised that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., departed the Greater Cincinnati Airport at approximately 6:00 p.m., on September 27, 1964.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FBI SAVANNAH

9:18PMEST URGENT 9/30/64 RCN 2P

TO: DIRECTOR FBI

FROM: SAC SAVANNAH L57-NEW

NATIONAL CONVENTION SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE NINE TWENTYNINE DASH TEN TWO SIXTYFOUR: ANONYMOUS BOMB THREAT HOTEL DESOTO SAVANNAH, GEORGIA NINE THIRTY SIXTYFOUR BOMBING MATTER:

AT SEVEN TWENTY FIVE PM. NINE THIRTY SIXTYFOUR [redacted] (b)(6)(C) [redacted] HOTEL DESOTO SAVANNAH GA., RECEIVED ANONYMOUS CALL STATING, QUOTE, I ALREADY GAVE YOU ONE WARNING, A AM WARNING YOU AGAIN, THE BOMB WILL GO OFF AT EIGHT O7CLOCK. GET EVERYONE OUT OF THE HOTEL," UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO [redacted] CALLER WAS (b)(6)(C) WHITE MALE, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY FIVE YEARS OF AGE WITH A COUNTRY VOICE. THE ABOVE WAS REPORTED TO THE 100-438794-181X DEC 65 FBI BY [redacted] DESOTO AT APPROXIMATELY SEVEN THIRTY PM. NINE THIRTY SIXTYFOUR. OCT 5 1964 [redacted] (b)(7)(D) AND [redacted] (b)(6)(C) SAVANNAH GA. WERE NOTIFIED OF THE ABOVE AT SEVEN THIRTY SIX PM. [redacted] (b)(6)(D)

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[redacted] (b)(6)(C)

[redacted] THE HOTELDESOTO IS THE SCENE OF THE SCLC BANQUET AT WHICH REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING WILL BE PRESENT ALONG WITH JACKIE ROBINSON AS THE FEATURED SPEAKER. THE BANQUET WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT WIGHT O'CLOCK.

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Date: 10/1/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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To: Director, FBI

From: SAC, SAVANNAH (157-641)

Subject: NATIONAL CONVENTION, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, HOTEL DESOTO, SAVANNAH, GA., 9/30/64

☒ BOMBING MATTERS - THREATS ☐ RACIAL MATTERS

Re Savannah phone call and tel to Bureau 9/30/64.

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum.

111th INTC Group, Savannah, Ga., advised of the above on 9/30/64.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Savannah, Georgia
October 1, 1964

NATIONAL CONVENTION,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,
SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 2, 1964,
ANONYMOUS BOMB THREAT, HOTEL DESOTO,
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, SEPTEMBER 30, 1964

[redacted] Hotel DeSoto, (b)(6)(c)
at approximately 7:30 PM on September 30, 1964, advised that at approximately 7:20 PM, [redacted] (b)(6)(c)
[redacted] at the Hotel DeSoto, Savannah, Georgia, received an anonymous call stating "I already gave you one warning. I am warning you again. The bomb will go off at 8 o'clock. Get everyone out of the Hotel." According to [redacted] the caller was a white male, approximately 55 years of age, and spoke with a country voice.

[redacted] (b)(6)(c)
and [redacted]
Savannah, Georgia, were notified of the above at 7:30 PM.

[redacted] (b)(6)

The Hotel DeSoto was the scene of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference banquet at which Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., was present along with Jackie Robinson, the principal speaker. This banquet was scheduled to begin at the Hotel at 8 P.M. on September 30, 1964.

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[redacted] (b)(6)
advised on September 30, 1964, that as of 12 midnight that date, no further calls had been received by the Hotel and no further incidents were reported and the banquet was held and all had dispersed from the hotel without incident.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5027)

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
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Savannah file 100-5131

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
(SCLC), SAVANNAH, GEORGIA,
9/29/64 - 10/2/64

Re Savannah airtel to Bureau 10/2/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination concerning the activities of the captioned convention on 10/2/64.

111th INTC Group, Savannah, Georgia, advised.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Savannah, Georgia
October 3, 1964

NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, SEPTEMBER 28, 1964 - OCTOBER 2, 1964

October 2, 1964

(6)(7)(D)

[redacted] Savannah, Georgia, advised on October 2, 1964, that on October 2, 1964, the Eighth Annual Convention of the SCLC continued through the morning and was closed at 1:00 PM by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., at which time the delegates [redacted]

[redacted]

The SCLC activities during the day commenced with the general discussions and workshops at the St. Paul CME Church, 1601 Bolton Street, Savannah, Georgia. These discussions concerned "new directions for the implementation of the Civil Rights Bill".

The conference was closed by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at approximately 1:00 PM, at which time the delegates were dismissed and dismissed.

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

October 6, 1964

Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

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1-Mr. Donohue
1-Mr. Rosack

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

We currently have a technical surveillance providing information concerning the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of determining the extent of communist influence upon SCLC leader Martin Luther King, Jr. This installation has provided considerable extremely valuable information relating to communist influences on the racial situation in the United States. King, as far as the general public is concerned, is one of the outstanding civil rights leaders. It is felt that this installation should be continued.

This installation has in the past furnished considerable information regarding the influences upon King and the SCLC by individuals connected with the communist movement. A great deal of this information has not been available from other sources. It is extremely urgent that such information continue to be available to the Bureau, particularly in view of King's prominence in the civil rights field and his contacts with high Government officials. The Bureau's responsibility in obtaining such information cannot be minimized. We are currently conducting intensified investigations on the SCLC and King because of these communist influences. An example of valuable information obtained was information indicating that King was to unleash a public attack upon the Director in April, 1964. Another example is that information was obtained indicating that the SCLC was attempting to have a woman allegedly employed by President Johnson intercede with the President to have the Director issue a public statement to the effect that the SCLC and King were not influenced by communists. Intelligence being received from this source does not involve matters being considered for prosecution.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above installation be continued.

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Portions of attached LHM excised according to Court order and forwarded to National Archives RH 5/2/73.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

SECRET

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 10/8/64

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (P)

RE: CIRM
Bureau file 100-442529
Atlanta file 100-6670

RANDOLPH TALMADGE BLACKWELL
SM-C
Atlanta file 157-698

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY SLIP (5) OF 10/15/64 DATE 10/16/64

Classification Changed to Confidential

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Re Bureau letter to Atlanta and New York dated 5/5/64 captioned "COMINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C" and Atlanta airtel to the Bureau dated 8/12/64 captioned "CIRM."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten (10) copies of a Letterhead Memorandum suitable for dissemination entitled "RANDOLPH TALMADGE BLACKWELL, SM-C." Enclosed for Birmingham and New York are two copies each of the Letterhead Memorandum.

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The identities of the Agents who observed O'DELL's arrival with two companions in Atlanta, Georgia, on 2/1/64 were [redacted] and [redacted]. b7C

The identity of the Agent who observed VINCENT HARDING on the picket line in Atlanta, Ga., in 10/62 was SA [redacted] b7C

If the information from [redacted] is utilized for lead purposes, care should be taken not to jeopardize the source [redacted] b2 b7D

The enclosed Letterhead Memorandum has been classified SECRET because it contains information from a highly sensitive source with respect to the Racial Situation in the Atlanta area. It is felt this classification is necessary in order to not jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
October 8, 1964

SECRET

RANDOLPH TALMADGE BLACKWELL
SECURITY MATTER - C

(C) [redacted] (b)(1)

[redacted] RANDOLPH BLACKWELL had been a member of the Communist Party in the District of Columbia.

(C) [redacted] RANDOLPH (b)(1)
BLACKWELL attended a Labor Youth League Convention on August 13, 1950, at the Algonquin Club, 1400 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina.

The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 by the U. S. Attorney General.

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[redacted] a biographical resume of BLACKWELL whom [redacted] stated was formerly employed by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. [redacted] BLACKWELL recently had taken a position with SCLC in Atlanta. The resume in part reflects as follows: (b)(1)

BLACKWELL was born in Greensboro, North Carolina, (date not given). He is married to the former Miss ELIZABETH KAY KNOX and is the father of one child, BLANCHE. He received a law degree from Howard University, Washington, D. C., date not given. His former employments were listed as Associate Professor of Government and Economics at Winston Salem Teachers College, Winston Salem, North Carolina, and the Alabama A & M College at Normal, Alabama. His position at Southern Regional Council was Field Director for the Voter Education Project. He was honorably discharged as a veteran from World War II with service in the European Theatre (branch of service not listed).

BLACKWELL was interviewed by Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in March, 1963, when he was the victim in a civil rights case in Mississippi. During this interview the following additional descriptive data was obtained:

Name	RANDOLPH TALMADGE BLACKWELL
Sex	Male
Race	Negro
Born	March 10, 1927, Greensboro, North Carolina.

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Height	6'2"
Weight	205 pounds
Complexion	Dark Brown
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Nationality	American Citizen
Education	Graduated from Syracuse and American Universities.
Residence	1275 Capitol Avenue, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia
Brothers	JOSEPH BLACKWELL, New York City. RUFUS BLACKWELL, Albany, New York.

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A Characterization of SCEF is attached hereto.

(C) [redacted] that the meeting to the best of his knowledge was considered to be unofficial in that it was a civil rights meeting which was not recognized by those in positions of responsibility in the civil rights movement.

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(C) [redacted] it was his understanding that one of the topics of discussion at the meeting was "police brutality in the South" and what could be done about it. (C) [redacted] did not know how many persons were present at this meeting and as far as he knew the group had no name. He said he learned that the following persons were among those present at this meeting:

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HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, also known as JACK, who received recent publicity about his connections with the Communist Party at a time when he was employed by SCLC.

CARL BRADEN, who holds a position with SCEF and who served time in prison because of his refusal to answer a congressional committee's questions on Communist Party affiliation.

ELLA J. BAKER who is currently employed with the YWCA and formerly employed with SCLC.

(C) [redacted] (b)(1)

[redacted] on February 1, 1964, he observed O'DELL and others apparently having some sort of civil rights meeting on the campus of the Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia. He stated that he had gone to this campus around 11:45 a.m. to pick up a friend. While in the lobby he encountered VINCENT HARDING, Negro minister of an Atlanta Menonite Church. HARDING stated that some sort of civil rights meeting had been scheduled for February 1 and 2, 1964. HARDING stated the alleged purpose of this conference was to discuss civil rights moves and strategy in terms of the coming political party conventions and elections this year. [redacted] (C) b1 stated that in addition to HARDING he observed JAMES BEVEL of SCLC, CARL BRADEN of Louisville, Kentucky, ELLA J. BAKER of SCEF and HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, accompanied by two unknown Negro males, and RANDOLPH BLACKWELL, staff member of Southern Regional Council arriving for this meeting.

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On February 1, 1964, Agents of the FBI observed O'DELL and two unknown Negro men arrive in Atlanta, Georgia, at 11:15 a.m. on Delta Flight #973. They were met by EDWINA SMITH and she drove them to the campus of the Interdenominational Theological Center at 653 Beckwith Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia. O'DELL and his two associates were observed to enter this facility at 12:07 p.m.

[redacted] February 1, 1964, O'DELL, JAMES CAMPBELL and a Mr. GRAY had flight reservations to Atlanta, Georgia, on Flight #973. (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] (S) (b)(1)

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CHARACTERIZATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED ABOVE

ELLA J. BAKER

On March 9, 1959, [redacted] advised that ELLA J. BAKER at that time was connected with SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia. [redacted] believed that BAKER had come to work with SCLC through the efforts of BAYARD RUSTIN whom [redacted] described as an acquaintance of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (b)(7)(D)

(C) [redacted] (b)(1) (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] on April 23, 1958, said that LEVISON through the organization "In Friendship" was closely associated with ELLA BAKER. (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] (b)(1) (3)

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IN FRIENDSHIP

In Friendship was described in "The Worker" on March 25, 1956, page 6, column 3, as a new organization formed to give economic aid to Negroes in the South who have been caught in the vice of economic boycotts, terror and intimidation.

"The Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

CARL BRADEN

Mrs. ALBERTA AHEARN, 2311 Payne Street, Louisville, Kentucky, a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party (CP), Louisville, Kentucky, in testifying on December 11 and 13, 1954, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Criminal Court, in a state sedition prosecution against CARL JAMES BRADEN, identified BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, as having been known to her as members of the CP, Louisville, Kentucky, from January, 1951, to shortly prior to the time of her testimony.

The Courier-Journal, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 3, 1959, reported that CARL BRADEN had been sentenced to one year in prison on a charge of contempt of Congress on February 2, 1959, in Atlanta, Georgia. The story noted that he had been convicted under this charge on January 21, 1959, and that the charge arose from his refusal to answer questions before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

The Louisville Times, Louisville, Kentucky, a newspaper of general circulation, on February 27, 1961, reported that the United States Supreme Court had, on that date, affirmed the contempt of Congress conviction of BRADEN.

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The Courier-Journal on May 2, 1961, reported that CARL BRADEN had surrendered to the United States Marshal at Atlanta, Georgia, on May 1, 1961, to begin serving a one-year prison sentence for contempt of Congress.

The Courier-Journal, on February 2, 1962, reported that CARL BRADEN had been released from the Federal Prison Camp at Allenwood, Pennsylvania, on February 1, 1962. BRADEN indicated that he would return to his home, Louisville, Kentucky.

(C) [redacted] (b)(1)
CARL BRADEN and his wife, ANNE BRADEN, continue to reside at 4403 Virginia Avenue and are still employed as Field Secretaries for the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF).

JAMES CAMPBELL

JAMES E. CAMPBELL is a New York school teacher with whom HUNTER PITTS O'DELL resides at 488 St. Nicholas Avenue, New York City.

JESSE GRAY

[redacted] (b)(7)(D)
advised on May 27, 1959, that JESSE GRAY, former organizer of the Harlem Region of the Communist Party, was at that time a rank and file Communist Party member.

GRAY is head of "rent strikes", New York City, and was recently reported to be involved in Harlem race riots,

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VINCENT HARDING

VINCENT HARDING, an Atlanta, Georgia, Menonite minister, was observed by an Agent of the FBI in October, 1962, marching in a protest demonstration at Hurt Park, Atlanta. This protest was directed against President KENNEDY's demand for the removal of Soviet ballistic missiles from Cuba.

DOROTHY MILLER ZELLNER was also observed on this picket line and according to [redacted] was known to have helped organize this protest. (b)(1)

(C) [redacted] that as of June 29, 1963, DOROTHY MILLER was a member of the Forbes Club, Lower Eastside Section of the Communist Party, USA, in New York City.

[redacted] (S) (b)(1)

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BAYARD RUSTIN

The "New York Herald Tribune" issue of August 14, 1963, page 7, column 1, contains an article captioned "Thurmond Assails a Leader of March". The article

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stated that, in answer to charges by Senator STROM THURMOND, BAYARD RUSTIN admitted joining the Young Communist League (YCL) in 1936. RUSTIN also reportedly stated that he broke completely with the YCL in June, 1941.

The YCL has been designed pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", issue of February 25, 1957, page 1, column 1, contained an article which stated that BAYARD RUSTIN, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was one of eight non-Communist observers at the Communist Party National Convention in 1957.

"The Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

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Title	RANDOLPH TALMADGE BLACKWELL
Character	SECURITY MATTER -C
Reference	Letterhead Memorandum dated October 8,1964, captioned as above at Atlanta, Ga.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/8/64

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FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Bureau file 100-438794
Atlanta file 100-5718

ANDREW J. YOUNG, JR.
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SECURITY MATTER)
Atlanta file 157-621

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Classified DATE 2-9-78 [illegible]

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Class DATE 1-4-50

Re Bulet to Atlanta and New York 5/5/64 requesting Letterhead Memorandums on officers of SCLC.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine (9) copies of a Letterhead Memorandum suitable for dissemination entitled "ANDREW J. YOUNG, JR." Enclosed for New York is one copy of the Letterhead Memorandum.

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(1-100-Andrew Young)
1- New York (100-149194) (SCLC) (Enc. 1) (RM)
2- Atlanta (1-100-5718) (SCLC)
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The enclosed Letterhead Memorandum has been classified SECRET because it contains information from a highly sensitive source with respect to the Racial Situation in the Atlanta area. It is felt this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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YOUNG is a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, a former Congregationalist minister from New Orleans who in 1958 was the minister of a Congregationalist church in Thomasville, Georgia, and was a member of the Executive Board of Southern Christian Leadership Conference at that time. His father, ANDREW J. YOUNG, is a dentist in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The 1964 Southern Christian Leadership Conference Year Book shows YOUNG to be Program Director.

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A Characterization of SCEF is included in the Appendix of this memorandum.

On January 10, 1963, [redacted] (b)(7)(A) Atlanta, Georgia, made available a list of ten individuals who were traveling in a group and were scheduled to leave Atlanta, Georgia, on January 10, 1963, at 7:10 a.m. for Savannah, Georgia, and to return together to Atlanta on January 12, 1963. Included among those listed were ANDREW YOUNG, JACK O'DELL and CLARENCE JONES.

[redacted] (b)(1)

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[redacted] (b)(1) (S)

RANDOLPH BLACKWELL

(C) [redacted] (b)(1)
RANDOLPH BLACKWELL had been a member of the Communist Party in the District of Columbia.

(C) [redacted] that (b)(1)
RANDOLPH BLACKWELL attended a Labor Youth League convention on August 13, 1950, at the Algonquin Club, 1400 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina.

The Labor Youth League has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

CLARENCE JONES

CLARENCE JONES is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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CORDY T. VIVIAN

(C) [redacted] (b)(1)

[redacted] that C. T. VIVIAN was a member of the Community Section of the Communist Party in Peoria, Illinois. [redacted] that C. T. VIVIAN had not been active in Communist Party affairs in the Peoria area for some time and advised he had not been in the area for a long period of time.

HARRY H. WACHTEL

HARRY H. WACHTEL is the Executive Vice President for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City. He resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, Kings Port, Long Island, New York.

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"THE NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD"

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1. Cited as a Communist front.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149).

2. Cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents." (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)

3. "To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the *** National Lawyers' Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection."

(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, P. 91.)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 10/9/64

FROM SAC, OMAHA (100-6845) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Savannah letter dated 9/21/64.

Logical sources and informants were contacted and they knew of no persons or groups in the Omaha Division, who were to attend the SCLC convention at Savannah, Georgia, beginning September 29, 1964 through October 2, 1964.

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TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAVANNAH 051646

CIRM, COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, INTERNAL SECURITY - C. JUNE.

REBURAD SEPTEMBER 28, 1964.
[redacted] INSTALLED P.M. SEPTEMBER 28, 1964 AND MISUR BEGAN 10:30 A.M., SEPTEMBER 29, 1964. MISUR DESIGNATED [redacted] MISUR DISCONTINUED 2:30 P.M., OCTOBER 2, 1964 AND EQUIPMENT RECOVERED OCTOBER 4, 1964 P.M. LHM FOLLOWS.

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10-9-64

SAC, Savannah (66-634)

Director, FBI (100-~~442529~~) (100-438794) - JUNE

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

DATE: October 6, 1964

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ASAC Eugene Stewart, Atlanta, called at noon today and said that through a confidential source, Atlanta had learned of a conversation between Martin Luther King and Walter Fauntroy, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) representative in Washington. This conversation disclosed a meeting which is to be held on Thursday afternoon, 10/8/64, with Cardinal Spellman at the Cardinal's Chancellery in New York. The meeting is scheduled to include several church leaders and the names of Rabbi Eisenrode (phonetic) and Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of the Presbyterian Church were mentioned. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain the concurrence of Cardinal Spellman to a statement which is being drawn up urging all church members to participate in the coming elections. King expressed some concern concerning what he referred to as Cardinal Spellman's conservatism and whether he would join in the statement.

This is for information.

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- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Sizoo
- Mr. Baumgardner
- Mr. Phillips

Have Malone alert the Cardinal.

12:10 PM 10-7-64
Malone out. ASAC Echmond to review full text & memo and will give to Malone for contact with Spellman.
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-90)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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CIRM
Bufile 100-442529
SV 100-5131

Re Savannah airtel 9/30/64 requesting indices search of Louisville concerning Rev. MAURICE MC CRACKIN.

An article in the January 1963 issue of the "Cardinal," a student publication of the University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, urging current contributions to the Organization termed "Operation Freedom" and described as a national civil rights organization providing economic assistance to persons deprived of their living from reprisals against their participation in civil rights activities be sent in care of Rev. MAURICE MC CRACKLIN, 932 Dayton Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

2-Bureau (1 - 100-438794) (RM)
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With respect to the above, Cincinnati observed that Rev. MAURICE MC CRACKIN is a prominent integrationist and a friend of the Rev. FRED LEE SHUTTLESWORTH who is pastor of the Revelation Baptist Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. With respect to Rev. SHUTTLESWORTH, Cincinnati noted he is publically known as an officer of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., a prominent integrationist, and a person who has worked closely with Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING.

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ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEXICO

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
9th Street & Pennsylvania Ave.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosure is self explanatory. Acknowledgement of receipt will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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FROM THE STUDY OF
Martin Luther King, Jr.
500 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.
ATLANTA, GA.

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Martin Luther King, Jr.
332 Auburn Ave., N. E.
Atlanta, Ga.

September, 1964

Dear Friend:

Since since the Civil War has the civil rights issue so imperatively required bold and prudent leadership. The impending elections have moved civil rights to a new arena. The struggle is unfolding on the political stage where the most important decisions will be made. When, despite the obvious opposition of a majority of Republicans, the presidential candidate was nominated on a platform lacking in humanity, amid an atmosphere of hate and intolerance, many Negroes were inflamed. Their hopes for orderly change were extinguished.

We believe that a reactionary presidential victory would intensify domestic strife, and are therefore directing our action program dominantly into voting and registration campaigns with these goals:

1. To demonstrate to the tiny group which has succumbed to violence that there is a nonviolent, effective way of change, which is embraced by the vast majority of Negroes in both the North and South.

2. To gain the political power necessary for effecting changes which will remove the inhuman conditions that create uprisings - and to enter into constructive Negro-White alliances.

3. To be a force in defeating candidates who are bent on turning us back to the intolerable past and whose recklessness and extremism endanger the economic and social stability of the entire nation.

We know that we can be effective because in just the past year over one-half million Negroes were registered in the South alone. This was accomplished against terrifying obstacles in some areas of the South where segregationist violence and lawlessness are a daily experience.

SCLC, the pioneer action organization of the South, gained insight and experience in Birmingham, St. Augustine and Mississippi. We are working in these and other areas, guided not alone by nonviolence as an ethic but with a pledge to continue to balance militancy with responsibility.

We are occupied seven days a week carrying on vitally important activities not reflected in headlines. Our trained staff people are in over twenty Southern cities. We service hundreds of communities from Atlanta. We conduct hundreds of permanently established citizenship training classes to remedy the faulty education Negroes have received and provide literacy education for the wholly uneducated - penetrating the deepest backwaters of the South with a type of Negro self-help unique in our movement.

The dedicated Negro and White allies doing this work are committing their lives. We ask you to be a part of this moral crusade by contributing sorely needed funds. You can invest in a democratic America by aiding this vital work. You will aid one part of the population and yet all of the nation.

With warmest good wishes,

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

SOME IMPORTANT FISCAL FACTS ABOUT SCLC

- No officer of SCLC, including Dr. King, receives any salary or compensation for his services.
- Our administrative costs in 1963 were only 8.3% of our income—a ratio which is considered by all agencies as extremely low.
- Our books are audited by Jesse B. Blayton, Certified Public Accountant. Our financial statement is published annually and copies are extensively circulated and are available to the public.
- Each contributor is kept informed of our activities by means of our monthly newsletter.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO SCLC SUPPORTS:

- Voter Registration (Southwide)
- Citizenship Clinics and Work-shops on non-violence
- Direct Action Projects to end segregation
- Merit Employment Programs to end job discrimination
- Special Educational Scholarships
- Legal Defense and bail for victims of racial injustice
- Citizenship and literacy schools

SCLC IS DEDICATED TO

helping the American Negro attain first class citizenship by NON-VIOLENT direct action and education

"No American can afford to be apathetic about the problem of racial injustice."
—Martin Luther King, Jr.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
A [illegible]
332 Auburn Ave. N. E. Atlanta, Ga.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
President

[illegible]
[illegible]

October 14, 1964

REC 14 100- 438794-187

[redacted]

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of October 7th, with enclosures, was received in Mr. Hoover's absence from the city. You may be assured the material you furnished will be brought to his attention upon his return.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

NOTE: Bufiles contain no derogatory information regarding correspondent. He wrote the Bureau in 1955 when he was a [redacted] (b)(6)(c) and again in 1960. At that time, he furnished his observations regarding interference with police work in the city of New York. His current letter encloses a letter from Martin Luther King, Jr., requesting contributions to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). This organization is headed by Martin Luther King and is currently under investigation by the Bureau to determine the extent of its communist infiltration, domination and control (100-438794). In view of correspondent's request for acknowledgement of receipt of his letter, an in-absence reply is deemed appropriate.

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FBI

Date: 10/9/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

To: Director, FBI

From: SAC, DALLAS (157-347) (C)

Subject: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
FORT WORTH, TEXAS CHAPTER

☐ BOMBING MATTERS - THREATS ☒ RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum.

One copy is being furnished INTC, Dallas.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Dallas, Texas
October 9, 1964

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On September 30, 1964, [redacted] advised that since its formation in about March, 1964, the Fort Worth chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) has had only about two meetings and is almost completely inactive at present. (b)(7)(D)

[redacted] a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and [redacted] furnished similar information on October 6, 1964.

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ENCLOSURE

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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Date of Mail 10-12-64

Has been removed and placed in the Special File Room of Records Branch.

See next ~~X~~ documentA

See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL Southern Christian Leadership Conference

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) 10/12/64
(100-438794)

SAC, SAVANNAH (66-634) JUNE

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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[redacted] provided coverage in the Suite in Room 901 and adjoining bedroom, Room 902, Manger Hotel, Savannah.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) 10/14/64

SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)

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Re Atlanta letter to Bureau, dated 9/16/64, captioned, "CIRM; COMINFIL SCLC, IS-C".

[redacted] (b)(7)(D)

Indices of the NYO contain no information concerning RICHARD A. BIDDER. There was no information identifiable with AL FEINBERG, who was in contact with RANDOLPH BLACKWELL on 9/11/64.

3 - Bureau (100-442529) (RM)
(1 - 100-438794) (COMINFIL SCLC)
3 - Atlanta (100-6670) (Info) (RM)
(1 - 100-5713) (COMINFIL SCLC)
(1 - 157-[illegible]) (RANDOLPH BLACKWELL)
1 - New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL SCLC) (41)
1 - New York (100-153735) (42)

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1 - Mr. Phillips

SAC, Atlanta (100-5718)

October 20, 1964

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Director, FBI (100-438794)

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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and WFB 10-22-84
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Reurlet 9/28/64 captioned as above, as well as concerning Martin Luther King, Sr., and enclosed letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date concerning King, Sr.

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Paragraph three, page two, states that King, Sr., was reportedly sympathetic to the Southern Negro Youth Conference, an organization which has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450. It is believed that this particular reference does not contain sufficient weight to merit its inclusion in the LHM and, therefore, should be deleted.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 10-22-84 BY 3482 sp/kbp

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1 - 100-432863 (Martin Luther King, Sr.)

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Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
100-438794

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Identifying data is set out in the first two paragraphs of page one of the LHM including a statement that King, Sr., is currently pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. It is suggested that the pertinent sentence be rewritten to read "King, Sr., and his son, Martin Luther King, Sr., are currently copastors of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, where King, Sr., has served since 1942."

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(C) used in referenced LHM, is concealed because he requested anonymity, the term "By Request" should appear after his name in the cover communication.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-438794) DATE: October 20, 1964

FROM : SAC, New York (100-149194)

SUBJECT: Comfil
Southern Christian
Leadership Conference

SOG ACTION:
(Records Branch)

☐ Post and destroy
☑ File

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 10-20-64

Reason for the delinquency: Report has been dictated & typed
awaiting on Emergency Annual Leave.

Date the report of necessary communication will reach the Bureau: 10-26-64

AEC zone designation; e.g., OR, CH, etc.:
(This applies only to 116 cases.)

☐ No administrative action necessary

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